## **REMARKS / ARGUMENTS**

In complete response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated January 19, 2005 on the above-identified application, reconsideration is respectfully requested. The text has been removed from claims 12 and 14 as requested by the Examiner.

## CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is believed that the present application now stands in condition for allowance. Early notice to this effect is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner believe a telephone call would expedite prosecution of the application, he is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the number listed below.

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